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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application of :
Yoshiharu SHIRAKAWABE et al. :
Serial No. 10/651,526 : Group Art Unit - 1753
Filed: August 29, 2003 : Examiner - Glen Rodney
McDonald
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING :
MULTI-TIP PROBE, A MULTI- :
TIP PROBE, AND SURFACE :
CHARACTERISTIC ANALYSIS :
APPARATUS : Docket No. S004-5110

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MS NON-FEE AMENDMENT
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RESPONSE

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In response to the Office Action mailed December 8,
2004, applicants amend their as follows:

ADDITIONAL FEE:

No additional fee is believed required in connection
with this response; however, should it be determined that a
fee is due, authorization is hereby given to charge any such
fee to our Deposit Account No. 01-0268.

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